

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1904.

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Summer Wrappers Marked Down!

Alterations have begun, and next week we will want all of the room possible. This time to make more room, we are going to sacrifice our whole line of lawn wrappers. Get one of these Domestic lawn wrappers now while you can use it some more this season. All sizes, 32 to 44.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Miss L. M. Stearns is visiting in Paris.

Mrs. F. L. Edwards spent Sunday in Portland.

Mr. A. D. Moore of Auburn was in Bethel last week.

Mrs. C. C. Farwell is visiting relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Florence Skillings of West Bethel was in the village, Monday.

Miss Lulu Bryant was in Norway and East Poland the first of the week.

Rev. A. D. Colson and family are at Ferry Beach enjoying a short vacation.

Mrs. A. C. Frost and daughters went to Portland, Saturday, to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Bean are again established in their home on Church street.

Mrs. N. E. Richardson was called to Norway, last week by the illness of her father, Mr. Stearns.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler went to Groveton, N. H., last week to visit her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Bunting.

Mrs. C. K. Fox and Miss Hattie Morrill are spending a few weeks at Empire Camp Ground, East Poland.

Mrs. E. E. Farwell and children and Mrs. Harvey spent Sunday with Mrs. Dolly Ann Mills near West Bethel.

Mr. A. C. Thompson and wife of Brockton, Mass., are spending a few days in Bethel in company with Capt. R. B. Grover.

Miss Josephine Chase of Auburn and Mr. Sylvester Brogan of Lewiston were guests of Miss Birdella Richardson over Sunday.

Miss Wava Richardson of Gorham, N. H., and Miss Grace Farwell of West Bethel called on friends in town Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. F. I. Brown of Portland were guests of Mrs. Brown's parents, Hon. and Mrs. J. M. Philbrook, Sunday.

Mr. Wilbur S. Yates of Portland, book-keeper for the D. Doten Grain Company, was a guest at E. L. Arno's the first of the week.

Letters for the following are advertised at the postoffice:

Robert J. Merriman, James Paul.

There will be no services at the Universalist church next Sunday, Aug. 21, the pastor being absent.

The Sunday School and Y. P. C. U. meeting will also be omitted.

The Sunday School of the Methodist church will have a picnic with basket lunch in Mrs. C. S. Littlehale's grove tomorrow afternoon if the weather is suitable.

Otherwise come Friday if pleasant.

A party from Bethel consisting of Capt. R. B. Grover, wife and party, Mr. A. T. Rowe and wife, Hon. E. S. Kilborn, Miss Clara Howe and Miss Ruth Stearns spent Wednesday of last week at Poland Springs.

This afternoon at the home of her parents, at 16 Crescent Ave., Dorchester, Mass., Miss Frances I., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil L. Wilson was united in marriage to Dr. William A. Cleary a well known and popular surgeon dentist of Dorchester.

Mr. Wilson is a former resident of Bethel where both he and his wedded daughter have many friends who extend congratulations and wish them many years of happiness.

The Ladies' Club held its annual mid-summer fair at Garland Chapel last Thursday afternoon and evening.

There were the usual tables of useful and fancy articles, also home made candy and ice cream had their accustomed places and all received their usual generous patronage from our citizens and visiting friends.

At six o'clock supper was served in the dining room to about 125 people.

The affair was a marked success netting the ladies \$217, and they desire to express their thanks to one and all who so generously aided in making it the success that it was.

Frank King is home from Cup-suptle for a few days.

Porter Farwell of East Bethel was in the village to-day.

Many of our people attended the Andover Centennial last week.

Miss Alta Whitman is spending the week with her father in Boston.

Mrs. Mabel Jacques spent Sunday with friends in Shelburne, N. H.

Miss Jennie Bradbury of Paris is spending a few days with Maud Davis.

Miss Erva Bartlett went to Poland Tuesday to remain a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bean attended the Andover centennial, last week.

Mrs. F. B. Tuell was confined to her home several days last week by sickness.

Mrs. Eugene Martin and daughter are spending a few days in West Bethel.

Mrs. Fannie Bisbee and daughter Helen are spending a few days at the Islands.

Miss Mary Chapman of Boston is visiting her brother, Mr. John B. Chapman.

The Misses Carter are enjoying life at Songo pond. They occupy the Hastings cottage.

Mrs. Susan P. Chapman is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Ellingwood in Percy, N. H.

Miss Cora Bean of Dorchester, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Bean.

Mrs. Louisa Packard is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ellen P. Kimball at Middle Intervale, this week.

Mrs. Lorin Bryant and two daughters from Portland are visiting at W. C. Bryant's and C. C. Bryant's.

Mr. Cleve Bartlett is employed at The Howard during the absence of Mrs. Putnam at the National Encampment.

Mr. G. M. Forbush and family will occupy the rent on Broad street recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Bean.

Some fifteen members of Brown Post and Relief Corps are attending the National Encampment at Boston this week.

Mrs. Rose P. Houghtaling of Philadelphia, Pa., is visiting her brother, H. A. Packard and other relatives in town.

Mrs. E. L. Bean and children, Roy, Ralph and Cecyl of South Framingham, Mass., are visiting friends in Bethel.

Mr. Channing Grover and family of Augusta have been visiting Mrs. Grover's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Glines.

Lyman and Chester Wheeler went on the mountain for blueberries Monday bringing home between fifty and sixty quarts.

I sell and recommend Utopian Chocolates. "The taste tells."

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Mr. O. B. Crane of Avon, Mass., who has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past month, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. E. M. Skinner and her two children from Dorchester, Mass., are spending a month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings.

Mrs. Jennie Daveport and daughter Abbie from South Dakota arrived in Bethel Monday night and are visiting relatives here and in Newry.

The pulpit at Locke's Mills will not be supplied by Rev. A. D. Colson next Sunday; but unless further notice is given services will be resumed two weeks from next Sunday.

The Ladies' Chapel Aid Society will hold their annual lawn party Aug. 23 at The Birches, West Bethel.

Without doubt a large number will, as usual, go from this village.

Hon. W. T. Cobb and Hon. C. E. Littlefield will speak in Odeon Hall on Friday evening, Aug. 26.

Certainly all should and will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing our next governor of Maine and one of the foremost statesmen of America.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Fountain Pens at King's.

Don't leave town without visiting King's and seeing his souvenirs.

Clips to hold pen or pencil in pocket, 10 cents at King's.

Fred Jordan was in Bethel yesterday.

Miss Maud Davis spent Sunday in Portland.

Miss Vira Holt is visiting in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. John Coburn and son Fred have returned from the Lakes.

T. Fitzmaurice Vail of North Newry was in this village to-day.

Mrs. Oscar Pitts is visiting her husband at Mr. Hannibal Grover's.

Miss Agnes Barton has been engaged to teach the fall term of school in Grafton.

Miss Emilie Davis of Washington, D. C., is visiting her brother, Mr. Wheelock Davis.

Mrs. Cyrene Littlehale is visiting relatives in Haverhill and other Massachusetts towns.

Mr. George Blake, wife and children of Malden, Mass., were guests at John N. Swan's Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Albert B. Davis and two children, Bertram and Ruth, of St. Thomas, Ont., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jordan.

Quite a large party of Bethel Universalists and their friends are in attendance on the annual grove meeting at Bryant's Pond, to-day.

S. A. Wheeler and family spent Friday night at D. H. Grover's. They were enroute from Grover Hill, where they have spent their vacation, to their home in Walham.

Last Friday a party of Bethel people consisting of Mrs. Angella Clark, Mr. Irving Clark, Miss Ruby Clark, Mrs. Stone and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Chamberlin, Mrs. Martha Chapman, Miss Mary Chapman and Mrs. E. K. Chapman enjoyed a picnic at the foot of Mount Will, the occasion being in honor of Mrs. Clark's sixty-sixth birthday. A very pleasant day was enjoyed by all.

Lawn Festival.

There will be a midsummer gathering upon Dr. Gehring's lawn Thursday afternoon, Aug. 18, from two until six o'clock, under the charge of the social and finance committees of the Christian Endeavor society.

Contests in croquet, tennis and ping-pong will occupy the first part of the afternoon, and the latter part of the afternoon will be given to dramatic illustrations of three well-known poems in burlesque which will be enacted on the lawn.

Miss Burton will sing a Japanese love song in costume.

Ice cream and cake will be for sale under the charge of Mrs. Chas. Valentine.

Admittance to the grounds 25 cents.

If the weather should be unfavorable, the program will be carried out the first fine afternoon following.

A Correction.

It must be that the News man did not see the finish of the last race at Riverside Park on Aug. 6.

It seems that five heats were trotted instead of four as reported and instead of Miss Strike and Orphan Wilkes sharing the honors two and two, Miss Strike was drawn after the fourth heat and Orphan Wilkes won the fifth heat and race.

Examination of Pupils.

All pupils in the town of Newry who contemplate attending Gould's Academy for the coming year are requested to meet at the Branch school house on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 24, at two o'clock for examinations.

Per order,

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COMMITTEE.

One Minute Cough Cure
For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

Change in Proprietors at Honest Corner.

Some four weeks ago Mr. G. F. Bean who for many years has been in trade in the village of Bethel, sold his business to Mr. G. M. Forbush of Groveton, N. H., but since that time has been conducting the business while Mr. Forbush was adjusting matters preparatory to moving to Bethel.

Mr. Bean began business in this store twenty-nine years ago last April in partnership with Mr. M. T. Cross, but three years later bought Mr. Cross' interest in the business, and has since carried it on alone.

During all these years he has fully maintained the reputation of the Corner, and has made it in all genuine reality, an Honest Corner. He has ever conducted a business which has been a distinctive honor to the town, and has ever been one of those rare men whom all have honored and against whom none could cast a word of reproach.

Our people have long since learned to place explicit confidence in Mr. Bean, and it has been a delight to them to do business with one who had their interest as well as his at heart, and all such regret to know that Mr. Bean is no longer to be reckoned among Bethel's merchants.

Knowing Mr. Bean, however, as we do, we would naturally expect him to see to it that when he severed his connection with his business in Bethel, it be turned over to one who would maintain the long standing reputation of "Honest Corner," and in this we are quite confident that he has succeeded.

Mr. G. M. Forbush, in a sense, is no stranger to Bethel. He has for some fifteen years been in business in Groveton, N. H., also for a time at Berlin, N. H., and has had more or less dealings with some of Bethel's people. He brings with him from the towns in which he has been in business, an enviable record for fair and honest dealings and seems to be just the man to follow Mr. Bean, and we predict for him a continuation of the steady and reliable business which has been enjoyed by his worthy predecessor.

Dr. J. J. Lewis.

The popular lecturer is to visit Bethel again this summer, and on Aug. 24 will give one of his most interesting and instructive lectures to those most appreciative of the historical and beautiful scenes of their own country. The subject will be Old New England, Seaside and Historic. It will be beautifully illustrated by a powerful stereopticon and many moving pictures will be shown during the same evening.

On the evening of Aug. 25, he will give a lecture on Venice, Italy, which is sure to please those who appreciate that wonderful land of unparalleled scenery, art, literature and music, and the most marvelous city in the world, being built upon between seventy and eighty islands, and at high tide the whole surface lying between the many marble palaces is covered to a depth of from one to one and one-half feet. Can you satisfactorily imagine what the scene must be when the image of each great marble building is doubled by reflection in that green pavement? If not go to hear the lecture on Aug. 25.

Tickets for the course—two lectures—will be sold very reasonably.

BRYANT POND.

Mrs. Betsey Blodgett and son are visiting in Massachusetts.

Mr. W. N. Pearson and wife are attending the encampment of the National G. A. R. in Boston; they were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reed of West Paris.

Dr. A. J. Gallison, his two sons and Walter Hawkins, wife and son were guests at D. D. Peverley's last week.

Mrs. M. H. Peverley and son of Quincey, Mass., are at Dexter Peverley's.

Mrs. C. J. Littlefield returned from a visit with her sister in Berwick, Sunday.

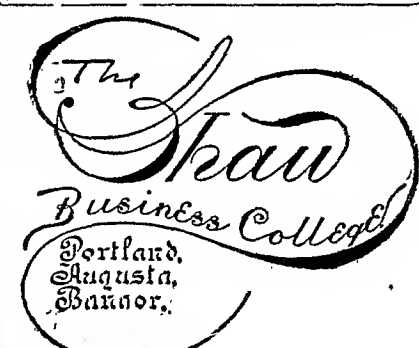
Mrs. Charlie Carl of Cumberland Mills, has been the guest of her cousin, Effie Peverley, this week.

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BETHEL, MAINE.

Mrs. Emma Estes is the guest of Mrs. Fanule Crockett.

Deck Peverley has sold his boat to E. Andrews, and is now building one for himself and one for W. H. Pearson.

The piazza Capt. Dearborn is having built on the front of his house is nearly completed.

Mrs. Dollie Carroll is visiting her father this week.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Aug. 9 a social dance was held in H. M. Kendall's barn in which a floor had been prepared; a large number were in attendance.

Mrs. Maria (Williamson) Mason of Iowa is visiting her brother, Richardson, and sister, Mrs. Margaret Cleveland.

Leslie J. Kendall, wife and sons, Leslie G. and Fred F., are spending a short time at the old homestead with his brother, H. M. Kendall and family; Mr. Kendall is a professional violin maker combining the work with his other business. He has twenty-three fine instruments at his home in Boston and has sold many besides. We well remember the first one he made when a boy at home; it is in his possession as a souvenir. His boys are both delightful little musicians. Mrs. Kendall is also musical.

G. D. Williamson spent a short time at his old home recently.

A cousin party was recently planned by the Kendalls but owing to some being obliged to return to their respective homes at an early date, and sickness prevailing in the families of others the idea had to be given up for this year. The place of rendezvous was the site of the Grandfather Morrill homestead on the banks of the Androscoggin river.

Blou Swan is now working at Thurston's mill at North Bethel and boards at home.

Mildred Sheppard of Kennebunk spent her vacation with her aunt, Mrs. Robert Foster.

Mrs. Leslie Kendall and Elda, daughter of H. M. Kendall, made a flying visit to Mr. Kendall's sister, Mrs. G. E. Grover at Grover's Corner, Albany, recently.

Mrs. D. Meeks recently visited here and at North Bethel.

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Time Table in Effect June 19, 1904.

TRAINS GOING EAST.			
	A. M.	P. M.	
Island Pond, leave, ..	1.30	6.30	1.00
Gorham, ..	3.21	8.20	2.45
Head, ..	3.45	8.38	3.05
West Bethel, ..	3.57	8.47	3.15
BETHEL, arrive, ..	4.05	8.53	3.23
Locke Mills, ..		9.00	3.32
Bryant Pond, ..	4.22	9.05	3.38
South Paris, ..	4.51	9.30	3.59
Lewiston, ..	5.50	10.30	4.55
Portland, arrive, ..	6.40	11.15	5.45
Boston, via rail, ..	12.45		4.10
Boston, via boat, ..			3.00

TRAINS GOING WEST.			
	A. M.	P. M.	
Portland, leave, ..	3.15	1.30	3.30
Lewiston, ..	9.00	2.25	9.20
South Paris, ..	10.00	3.22	10.15
Bryant Pond, ..	10.23	4.02	10.45
Locke Mills, ..	10.35	4.12	10.53
BETHEL, arrive, ..	10.46	4.25	11.03
West Bethel, ..	10.54	4.35	11.10
Head, ..	11.05	4.51	11.22
Gorham, ..	11.30	5.20	11.50
Island Pond, ..	1.30	7.50	1.50
Montreal, ..	6.50		7.20
Toronto, ..	7.15		4.50
Chicago, ..	8.45		7.20

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.
Excursions to Gorham and Berlin be-
gin June 12th and run each Sunday till
Oct. 23, fare 45 cts. round trip. Train
leaves Bethel at 11.12 a. m. Returning
leaves Berlin at 4 p. m. arriving in
Bethel at 5.05.

Excursions to Portland begin July 3,
and continue till Sept. 11, fare \$1.00.
Train leaves Bethel 6.55 a. m., return-
ing, arrives at 8.35 p. m.

The 8:53 a. m. train will carry a par-
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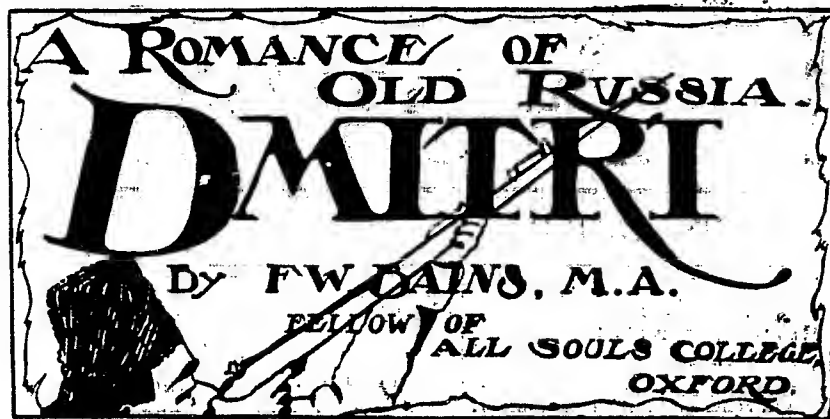
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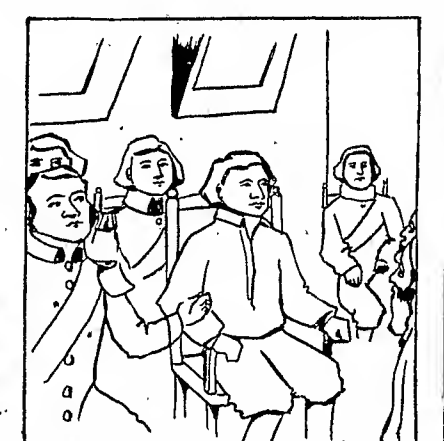
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XXV.
'Are you there, General?'
'Come in, Iwanicki. What is it? I
can see a shadow on your face.'
'You have a keen eye, General. Why,
what reason could there be for a
shadow, after the glorious victory,
and that reinforcement of twelve thou-
sand Don Cossacks yesterday?'
'Victory! Yes, that's all very well;
but there ought to be more deserters
coming in. And what are four thou-



There is your Tsar.

sand killed and wounded to the Rus-
sians?—a mere flea-bite. It won't do,
Iwanicki. There's a fresh army com-
ing from Moscow; it must be close at
hand.'

'There's something more dangerous
than another army.'
'A house divided against itself shall
not stand.'

'Which means—what?'
'General, a message has just arrived
from Sigismund ordering all the Poles
to return at once, on pain of forfeiting
their goods. There are troubles at
home.'

'Well?'
'Well, General, the noble and chiv-
alrous Poles for once are going to
obey their sovereign's commands.
'They don't do it often; but they must
'honor and obey the King' once in a
way, just to keep their hand in, you
know, General. And Iwanicki laugh-
ed in derision.

'And you yourself, Count?'
'I? Oh, I'm an insignificant person! I
stay with the General, sink or swim.'
'Brave heart!' said Dmitri; 'we'll
win yet, and win together. I knew
something of the sort would happen
soon. These hussars, they were fur-
ious at my giving that word took
from Massalski to the Cossacks, and
they are angry because Rome is not
built in a day. I suppose my cautious
father-in-law is one of the royal re-
turners.'

'Oh, yes! the prodigal father is quite
anxious to get home. They're getting
ready now to go.'

'Without orders?' said Dmitri, with
a scowl. 'Oh, I forgot, they're only
volunteers. There's their excuse for
leaving me in the lurch, the pitiful
wretches! Well, it's a bad blow,
Count. They were, between our-
selves, the flower of the whole troop.
But courage—courage, Count! For-
tune's not like the Poles; she never
deserts a brave man in his need.
We'll manage without them yet.'

'General, they're not all gone. I've
a little influence left; there's a hun-
dred good fellows are going to follow
my bad example and disobey Sigis-
mund.'

'And if he seizes their belongings,
I'll make it up to them—every ducat.
They shall lose nothing by acting like
brave men and true comrades. And
you, Iwanicki, I'll make you a home
at Moscow worth all you've left be-
hind us. As long as I live, what's
mine is yours. Come let's go and see
these cowardly trimmers and my
worthy father-in-law. Yes, we'll make
these fair-weather friends bite their
lips for shame before six months are
gone. We'll succeed in spite of them,
Iwanicki! And together, there's my
hand on it. Ay, by God, we will.'

XXVI.
The little cavalcade of Polish
knights pranced and curveted, man-
ifesting a somewhat indecent eager-
ness to be gone. Some hundred paces
higher up the hill, Dmitri, surrounded
by Iwanicki, Korela, the two indomit-
able Jesuits, and a few Cossacks,
watched them from his horse, while
he listened abstractedly to the apolo-
gies, offered by his future father-in-
law, the Palatine of Sandomir, who
came to make his adieux, and those of
his party.

'You must not take it ill, Tsarevitch,
he was saying, 'if we, the nobles of
Poland, find it necessary to obey the
summons of our King, in his difficult
and perilous position, and return
home. We shall soon, I hope, be able
to come back to you with reinforce-
ments, though I make no doubt, only
to find you firmly established on your
throne, and in the hearts of your sub-
jects. I wish, for my own part, I could
remain to share whatever danger and
glory may attend your enterprise, but
my first duty is that to my Sovereign.'
Dmitri listened, apathetically, yet
with a touch of scorn on his counte-
nance, to the glib excuses that the
Palatine poured out.

'You are very right, my dear father-

in-law, you are quite right; your dis-
cidence is exemplary. I am sorry that
you are going, more on your account
than my own. You will win great re-
putation for prompt loyalty by getting
back as quick as you can, but you will
miss some honor and some interesting
adventures. But you do best to follow
your conscience, father-in-law. Don't
forget to tell your daughter the latest
news of the camp, and say I will soon
send for her to Moscow.'

And, moving abruptly forward, he
drew near to the departing squadron.
A crowd of Cossacks surrounded it,
some contemptuous, some half in-
clined to go and do likewise. But at
a little distance from the main body
were drawn up, in silent reproach,
a little troop of some hundred hussars—
the hundred that were prepared to dis-
obey their king, but careful of their
military honor.

'Noble Poles!' he shouted to the de-
parting squadron, 'let me thank you
here, before you go, for your freely
rendered services in my cause. I wish
necessity did not compel you to draw
back before we have gone to the end.
Believe me, there will be many a
stirring tussle where honor is to be
won, at which we shall mourn your
departure—we who stay behind. But
as for you, gentlemen,' he added,
turning to the remaining hundred, 'let
me thank you here, and put off any
other more substantial recognition till
we feast together in the Kremlin.
Trust me, it shall be soon. The fewer
we are, the greater the glory. When
did the stars desert a handful of brave
men who stuck together?'

A shout burst from the Poles and
the bystanding Cossacks, while there
was a certain movement of hesitation
in the larger body that were meditat-
ing a retreat. But one of the Jesuits
spoiled the effect.

'Woe,' he cried aloud, 'to the back-
sliders, who put their hand to the
plough but draw back in fear!'
'It does not sit well on you, Father,'
said Mniszek instantly, 'to approve
disloyalty, and sneer at those who
merely obey their king. Nobles,' he
cried to his companions, 'let us be off!
Forward!' and he rode away at the
word. The whole cavalcade followed
him, and with them, Dmitri could not
but feel, went the sheet-anchor of his
little army.

He watched them for a minute, as
they grew less and less on the plain;
then, turning to those who had re-
mained, he cried—

'There is still time!' And he point-
ed to the departing troop.

But an enthusiastic shout refused
his invitation.

'Very well, gentlemen,' he said, 'you
believe in me now when I am weak; I
will remember you when I am strong.'
And turning his horse he rode back to
his quarters.

Two hours later Iwanicki burst in
upon him, as he sat discussing the
state of affairs with the Jesuits.

'What is it?'

'General, four hundred Poles have
come back again; they were ashamed
to desert you.'

'A good omen,' said Dmitri smiling,
turning to the Jesuits.

'One of them said, "I go not," but
afterwards he repented and went,'
observed the Father who had rebuked
the deserters.

XXVII.
Late that evening Dmitri pondered
with himself as to the thing to do
next.

'Well, they have gone; it's no use
crying about it. What's to be done
now? We must abandon this wretched
siege; we must get away from

Novgorod-Severski. The whole Rus-
sian army will be down on us in a
few days, and how are we to make
head against them? We can't repeat
our victory without the Poles. No;
perhaps we had better retire on one of
these little towns, Ryski, perhaps or
Voronezh, and wait and see what turns
up. But then, the danger of waiting!
My whole force will melt, just like
this snow in the spring sun. Just
what Boris would like. No, no; I
must do something; but what? Curse
these Poles! A pretty hole I am in
without them. I wonder—'

Zarucki, who was on guard, broke
in on his meditations. 'A courier
from Moscow, Hetman.'

A tall man, dressed as a moujik, en-
tered the room.

'Well, Tsarevitch.'

'I see you don't forget old friends.'
'Grishka, you again! Why, what an
age it is since I saw you! Sit down.
Where have you dropped from?'

'An age! yes centuries. But I've
heard all about you, including the
victory. We're getting along.'
Dmitri shook his head. 'Victory!'
yes; but the beard grows during the
shaving. Their army is bigger than
it ever was. No, Grishka, we're not
there yet.'

'But we soon will be.'
'You say you've heard all. Have
you heard about the Poles?'

'What?'

'That they've gone back to Poland
again.'

Dmitri told him. The monk listened,
and swore fearfully. 'Cowardly scoun-

dreels! but we'll manage—we'll man-
age without them. The legend; that
will do the work better than millions
of Poles! You are Tsar already—al-
most, I've just been,' at Moscow.
New! news! It's all up with Boris.'
'How?'

'He heard of your victory. He sus-
pects every one—dare not punish any
one. They're all against him. If not
always for you, yet against him—
that's the main point. He's just sent
Shuiski—Prince Vassili Ivanovitch
Shuiski—to take command of the
army; Mtsislavski's almost dead of his
wounds. Shuiski loathes him, and is,
besides, no good at all in the field.
We shall beat him all to pieces, if we
try; and then—' he winked signif-
icantly.

'And then—yes,' said Dmitri ab-
stractedly.

'You mustn't stop here, though,'
went on Otrepleff, after a pause.
'Look! you must throw up this siege,
and get off to Putioli. Wait there a
little while. I don't think you will
have any more fighting to do; I've
been working the Russian army. The
men are nearly all half for you al-
ready; they only want a little coaxing.
I can manage it.'

'Grishka, what a head you've got!
Yes, you're right; avoid a battle, and
let the charm work quietly.'

'Look you, Dmitri! Boris is doomed;
he can't live long. As soon as he's
dead, they must have you; there's no
one else. Boris can't last much
longer.'

'Are you sure about that?'

'Pretty sure,' said Otrepleff with a
grin. 'I've a friend or two in the
Kremlin, though Boris—shrewd man!
—never suspects it. I'm afraid his
food doesn't always agree with him!'
That, and the state of mind he's in—
oh yes! we're sure enough. Leave
that to me. You draw off to-morrow,
and go to Putioli; they are all your
men there. We'll do the rest—we
that is, the Russian army, and we'll
manage to disgust all the peasants by
burning a few villages. You won't
have to wait long. So now, I must be
off. By the bye, what's this I hear
about a Polish Princess! Is it true?'

Dmitri was silent a moment.

'Yes, it's true.'

'Fool!—fool! Dmitri, you are too
soft—twill ruin you! Do you think
the Muscovites will stand your marry-
ing an "accursed pagan Lyakh?'

Dmitri compressed his lips. 'They
shall!'

Otrepleff gazed curiously at him.

'As I thought,' he said at last.
'Look! if we oust Boris, I've done my
part! Mark my words, Dmitri—this
Polish woman will do for you. But
the future must take care of itself;
what will be, will be! I must see to the
present. For the present, then, good-
bye!'

'Good-bye, Otrepleff!'

The monk went out, and Dmitri re-
mained lost in thought.

I shouldn't wonder if Otrepleff is
right—he always is. But give me a
careless life. The whole thing's a
gamble! No; no! let who will worry
himself to death and spin out his mis-
erable existence by cutting off his
pleasures. As for me, Caesar's my
master. Great Caesar!—ay! I could
die like you, if I could but live like
you.'

XXVIII.

At Moscow, in the council chamber of
the Senate, sat a solitary boyar, await-
ing the arrival of his brother nobles
and the Tsar. To him presently there
entered another.

'Good morning, Bielski!'

'Ah, Katrieff! Is that you? Well,
have you heard?'

'What? About the impostor fellow
beating Mtsislavski and the whole
army with a handful of Poles and
Cossacks?'

'Yes. Is it true?'

'I should think so! But have you
heard about Boris?'

'What?'

'Why, the news has killed him!
They say it's broken him to pieces.'
'Dear me! how sad! Hasn't Shuiski
gone to take command?'

'Yes; if we wait a little, perhaps
we shall hear things.'

'What things?'

'Oh, I don't know! But Shuiski's a
man, and loathes our friend
Boris, and Katrieff nodded signifi-
cantly. 'How do you think, now, it would
answer to recognize this Dmitri—just
to a while? We could easily get rid
of him, when we'd had enough of
him.'

'And Boris was gone, eh?' queried
Bielski. 'Well, I would do a good
thing to get rid of our old Godunoff
family, certainly; but you know the
old table—we might get out of the
frying pan only to find ourselves in
the fire. This impostor seems an ac-
tive man. Has that fellow Basmanof
been really appointed as Shuiski's
second in command?'

'Yes; but too many cooks—you
know. And, between ourselves, our
army is a fraud. Not a hundred men
to be depended on in it. Every other
man is either a coward or a Dmitrist.
Come now, how would a new Tsar—
Dmitri, for example—suit you?'

'Oh, very well, I daresay! Perhaps
he would let me marry. But hush!
here comes the Tsar that is!'

The great doors were flung open,
and a crowd of nobles, who had been
waiting in the ante-room, appeared.
They were followed by the Tsar him-
self, Boris Godunoff, the much-hated,
leaning on the arm of the Patriarch
Job. The extraordinary pallor and
feeble worn-out look of the Tsar was
marked by all, and subdued whispers
went round the assembly.

An unusual silence prevailed as
soon as all were seated; the present-
ment of something impending weigh-
ed, as it were, on every tongue.

'Most omnipotent Tsar,' at length
began Prince Vorotinski, 'may thy

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slaves venture to ask the latest news
from the southern provinces?

'His Imperial Majesty,' replied the
Patriarch, 'has directed me to read to
the Council a despatch received from
the impostor styling himself Prince
Dmitri Ivanovitch, who died, as we
all, but more especially Prince Vassili
Shuiski, now absent, knows, at
Uglich.'

The lips of Boris moved, but he said
nothing.

The Patriarch, amidst profound si-
lence, read the despatch, the tenor of
which was that Boris was summoned
to resign the crown in favor of the
rightful heir. 'Finally,' the latter ran,
'I will be merciful. Let Boris Godu-
noff hasten to vacate the throne he
has usurped, and retire to a cloister.
I will forget his crimes, and even as-
sure him of my protection.'

The face of the Tsar grew still
paler and more ashy.

'From this we may see,' continued
the Patriarch, 'how a momentary and
accidental success over some scatter-
ed fugitives has blinded this scound-
rel. How is it possible for us to
entertain his pretensions any feel-
ing, but contempt? The Lord will
protect His people. Under the able
guidance of Prince Vassili Shuiski and
Peter Fedorovitch Basmanof we shall
soon see the Russians obliterated, with
the blood of the criminal rascal, the
passing, dishonor reflected on their
arms by his temporary success.'

'Tis a lie!' suddenly yelled Boris.
'He has not succeeded! He is dead!
I saw him myself—Vassili Shuiski
saw him—dead at Uglich! Ah! he
screamed, as the astonished boyars
rose in dismay, 'I see your grief! I
know you, Bielski, Kurbski! I read
your hearts! What! Would you
leave the Council—my Council—for
the usurper? Traitors! are you so
anxious to worship the new idol?
Oh! you may smile and plot. Vil-
lains! I'll crush you yet—'

He raised his arms to heaven, and
fell heavily forward on his face.

'Here, Vorotinski, Katrieff, some of
you!' exclaimed the Patriarch. 'Don't
stand gaping there—help me! And
they carried off the unconscious Tsar
back to his chamber.'

The Council broke up.

'All over!' said Katrieff to his neigh-
bor, Bielski. 'Now we may choose be-
tween Dmitri and—who? Which of us
all is to be Tsar? Vassili Shuiski?'
He would like it, no doubt; but none
of him for Katrieff—no, thank you!
Boris is doomed. If ever there was
death in a face it was there just now!
Come round with me. We'll send in
an hour and see how he is; then we
can settle what to do next. St. Nicho-
las! how white his face was!

[To be continued.]

POULTRY NOTES.

Sort your pullets, put the best de-
veloped together. Either dispose of
younger and backward ones or pen
by themselves and feed for growth.
We think, unless we were over stock-
ed, if we had such so late in the sea-
son or so early, just which ever view
point you look at it from we would
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The English custom of cutting the bread very thin and spreading the butter on thick is one to be commended from a dietetic point of view, and should be adopted where it can be afforded; and if the bread and butter is accompanied by stewed fruit a more wholesome food could not be devised. For dyspeptic and liverish people, bread and pure butter, along with fruit, should invariably take the place of pastry or biscuits.

VERSATILE WOMEN.

Some Modern Instances in Proof of the Sex's Possession of This Attribute.

It was at least 2,000 years ago that a Latin poet casually remarked: "Varium et mutabile semper femina." This is to say, literally, "A variable and changeable thing always is woman."

It is hardly to be supposed, however, that a poet even 2,000 years ago could be so ungallant as deliberately to call lovely woman a "thing." We must make allowance for poetic license and the necessities of rhyme and rhythm. What the poet really meant to say, doubtless, was, "Women are not all just alike."

This intimation by the poet that woman is decidedly versatile is forcibly brought to mind by the widely differing claims to fame of five women whose counterfeited presentments in marble are soon to adorn two notable public buildings.

In Statuary hall, at Washington, Illinois will place a statue of Frances Willard. Incidentally it may be noted that her effigy will be the only one wearing a skirt, with the exception of that of Pere Marquette, contributed by Wisconsin. Putting Marquette instead of Joliet in this august assemblage will seem to many much like crediting the victory of Manila to Dewey's chaplain, but there seems to be no question about the propriety of Illinois' choice. The grand staircase of the new state capitol at Albany, N. Y., is to be ornamented with the portrait busts of four women who have helped to make United States history: Harriet Beecher Stowe, Clara Barton, Susan B. Anthony and Molly Pitcher.

Here, then, are five women, at least four of them of world-wide fame, and each representing a distinct sphere of action.

Frances Willard was the most prominent advocate of prohibition the world has ever known.

Harriet Beecher Stowe won immortal fame with her "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and did much to bring about the freedom of the negro.

Clara Barton is identified with the work of the Red Cross society. Susan B. Anthony has devoted her long life to the cause of securing for woman equal rights of citizenship with man.

Molly Pitcher served a cannon so well in the Revolution that Washington himself made her a sergeant and subsequently placed her on the retired list at half pay for life.

Thus we have the champion of temperance, the friend of the slave, the nurse in war, the advocate of equal suffrage—and "Captain" Molly Pitcher, who adds the crowning touch to the versatility of women.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Ladies' Fancy Waist.

Fancy waists are still in vogue despite the fact that French writers continue to prophesy that they are no longer fashionable. There is, however, a strong tendency toward waists that match the skirts which they accompany in place of contrasting with them.

A charming mode is shown here developed in white ecru, with all-over chignon embroidery for trimming. The waist is made over a glove-fitted, featherboned lining that closes in the center front. The back is drawn plain across the shoulders and has slight fullness at the belt. A smooth adjustment is maintained under the arms.

Four tucks in the front are stitched from the shoulders part way down



and provide becoming fullness over the bust that blouses at the belt. A soft draped girdle of geranium pink panne is arranged around the waist.

A fancy drop yoke of chiffon is included in the neck seam. It is extended over the shoulders, giving them a becoming droop. In front the yoke reaches to the belt, forming a narrow vest. The transparent collar is edged with panne.

One-piece bishop sleeves fit the upper arm closely and are quite wide at the lower edge where the fullness is attached to pointed cuffs, dropping well at the back. Three tucks near the lower edge pass around the sleeve. Fancy blouses in this style are made of crepe de Chine, voile, taffeta, peau de soie, foulard, velvelling or mercerized washfabrics, with contrasting material for trimming.

To make the waist in the medium size will require three yards of material thirty-six inches wide, with three-quarters of a yard for trimming.

Japanese and Servant Problem.

The Japanese women have no servant problem to solve, simply because they do not look down on servants as such. Visitors bow as low to servants as to their mistresses, and if the mistress is away the servants serve tea and entertain the visitors.



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The small white specks which sometimes appear in butter are formed in three ways. The common one is not stirring down the froth or wind puding, as the milkers call it, that comes on the bucket from rapid milking. Another cause is allowing the top of the cream in the can to dry into hard lumps. Then there are the particles of cheesy matter made by skimming too closely into the clabbered milk. Either of these last causes can be removed by straining the cream into the churn.

A cow to be profitable as a dairy animal must be able to eat and digest a large amount of feed. The cow that will get into the corn field or beet patch and eat enough to kill two cows without the least injury is the one that will turn out the milk. An animal easily stalled on grain feed is not as a rule a profitable one to feed, for her digestive apparatus is not up to the standard.

Well-fed sheep always produce the most and best wool. Softness and pliancy of wool usually correspond in a degree with fineness. Harshness and dryness are always detrimental to the quality even if the fiber is otherwise good.

Some people take the sweet unction to their souls that any kind of butter is good enough to trade to the store, and get mad if the merchant sticks his nose to it to see if it is salable.

The shepherd should not expect his sheep to drink water that he would be afraid to drink himself.

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"Few men of your age in this section have done so well," said I, "and the farm was nothing extra by nature."

"I was a believer in manure," he continued. "I knew that with plenty of it anybody could make money on an Eastern farm. The first five years I paid rent first, bought food next and put the rest of the income in manure; paid a good price and hauled it three miles over a bad, hilly road. I often wished I had located nearer town. Before the end of five years I found that I could keep more stock and stopped buying manure."

"I have bought none since, except a ton or two of fertilizer a year for potatoes. I have kept adding cows, and my wife became tired of making butter, so I started my retail milk route. I had to buy grain to keep up the milk flow, and the land grew richer. I began to study tillage, get better implements, plowed better and oftener, and fined the soil the whole season."

"I paid more attention to rotation of crops and practiced a partial-soiling system, which I thought was about the limit of high farming; but then came the silo system."

"That seemed to make a big difference in your farming. Yours was almost the first in this country, I believe."

"Yes," replied Joy, "I should have had one sooner if mine had been easy soil to cultivate. The silo has done a great deal to bring up my farm. I could keep twice as much cattle as before, but I haven't done it because I have been taking more of the land for market garden crops and trees. I have made some of my fields as rich and mellow as a garden, and find it pays to raise garden crops and fruit."

"Now, this is the standard way to bring up land," he continued; "that is, buy or make more manure. But if the milk or butter market were poor, my experience has suggested another way that you could follow and one that is more feasible in some instances. Manure, live stock and silo cost heavily, and the process for a man without much capital is slow and difficult. With a large farm and little or no capital, a farmer may set that surplus land to improving itself. Let him wisely save and use what manure he has. There is a golden mean between stuffing and starving land. Let him put the manure where it will do the most good, using the best of the land, grow self-feeding crops like clover, cow peas and soy beans, and the like. By 'self-feeding' crops, I mean that they get a good deal of their growth from the material in the air and deep soil, where most crops will get nothing. Where land is easy to work, these crops will not cost much to grow. They can be pastured off partly, and the rest of the growth plowed under."

"Red clover, for instance. I find we can cut or feed the first growth, and get a crop that will pay for the trouble of raising it and leave the second growth to be plowed under, with the effect on the soil's quality, a heavy dressing or fertilizer after plowing under the soil, or carry a crop of potatoes, with the addition of a little fertilizer in the drill. Then follow the potatoes with fodder, rye or wheat and sow clover again among the rye very early the following spring, and so repeat the process. Plow under the second growth of clover again, and the land will be found wonderfully improved, at no great expense for labor."

"Another good plan the second fall would be to sow some turnips with the rye. This would give five crops in two years. A crop of clover cut, and the second growth turned under, potatoes, turnips, rye and all with little manure. I should use chemical fertilizer, say two hundred pounds per acre, of muriate of potash and acid phosphate mixed, to give the clover a good start."

"But I would never mortgage my farm to buy heavy dressings or fertilizer, as some recommend. I would rather take longer and depend more on the clover. I would get a double sulky plow and turn the soil over and over as often as I could, working it fine and keeping it stirred. Almost any soil has plenty of fertility if it is worked fine enough to enable the crops to get at it."

"Live stock, fine tillage and air-feeding plants will bring up the farm in time. A mortgage might save years; but it would be likely to worry as many out of the farmer's life."—Correspondent American Agriculturist.

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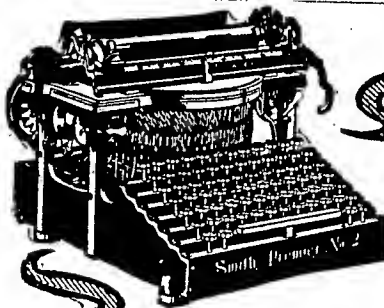


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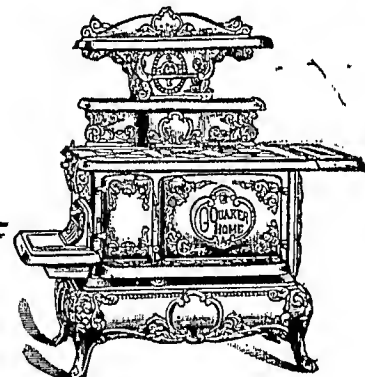
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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 17, 1904.

HITHER AND YON.

Lives of poor men off remind us
Honest toll don't stand a chance;
The more we work we leave behind us
Bigger patches on our pants.

Boston has the blues this week.

Strike in haste and repent at
leisure seems to be about the way
the thing goes.

That \$1,000,000 has solved the
question of age limit in the usefulness
of Uncle Henry Davis.

The sterling character of Hon.
Wm. T. Cobb is impressing all
with whom he is meeting in these
campaign days.

Our Democratic friends should
be slow in remarking on Mr. Fairbanks' iciness just at this season of
the year when ice is in such demand.

The re-submission issue, candidate Davis' paramount issue, will be buried as deep in 1904 as candidate Bryan's paramount issue was in 1900.

A noted German physician informs the world that appendicitis is catching. The only safe course would seem to be to keep out of high society.

The campaign will be on in dead earnest in a few days now and then we shall expect to hear the campaign orators on all sides claim the credit for the fine condition of the crops.

A new Missouri editor states his subscription terms as follows: "When paid in cash, One Dollar in advance. When paid in gravel, cord wood or pumpkins, Two Dollars."

"The law means more than politics, good citizenship means more than partisanship, and the first requisite of good citizenship in an official is to enforce the law and as a citizen to obey it."—Hon. Wm. T. Cobb.

The Columbus young man who forgot his own name and the girl's when it came to getting the marriage license must have been intoxicated with the out look for a useful and happy life. At least, that's the charitable view.

Whatever dissimilarity there may be between our two leading presidential candidates it may be noted that each made his reputation upon a hill. President Roosevelt upon San Juan Hill and Judge Parker upon David Bennett Hill.

W. A. Gaston of Massachusetts is assuring the Democratic party that they have a fighting chance in the Bay State. If the claims that they are making in other States are no more sane than this we shall see another landslide in November.

Little by little, or rather more by more, Old Orchard is becoming a Coney Island. All lovers of order and decency in our beloved State will note with pleasure the steps that are being taken by local authorities and worthy citizens against Sunday law breaking.

A southern paper refers to Judge Parker as the Democratic Moses. But we have never heard that his nomination caused any bulrushes in Wall street and certainly it will take more than Mr. Davis' barrel of gold to make him a real good Joshua for the home stretch.

The Little Country Paper.

When the evenin' shade is fallin' at the endin' o' the day,
An' a feller rests from labor smokin' at his pipe o' clay,
There's nothin' does him so much good, be fortune up or down,
As the little country paper from his

O' Home Town.

It ain't a thing of beauty an' its print ain't always clean,
But it straightens out his temper when a feller's feelin' mean,
It takes the wrinkle off his face an' brushes off the frown,
That little country paper from his

O' Home Town.

It tells of all the parties an' the balls of Punkin Row,
'Bout who spent Sunday with who's girl an' how the crops'll grow,
An' how it keeps a feller posted 'bout who's up and who's down,
That little country paper from his

O' Home Town.

Now I like to read the dailies an' the story papers, too,
An' at times the yallar novels an' some other trash—don't you?
But when I want some readin', that'll brush away a frown,
I want that little paper from my

O' Home Town.

Chicago is said to have six women, each of whom is earning \$1000 a year.

The proposed automobile races at Old Orchard have been declared off for this year. Perhaps the place is swift enough without them.

Booker T. Washington will speak on the work of the Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama, and its results, in the chapel at Hancock Point, at 2.30 o'clock Wednesday, Aug. 17.

Here is a trout story from Waterboro. Two men caught from a pond in that town the other day twenty-one trout which measured twenty-one feet. Do they do any better than that down in the wilds of Maine? asks the Biddeford Record.

PROMISES KEPT.

(From the Philadelphia Inquirer.)
"We have made the deed square with the word," said President Roosevelt, in accepting the nomination officially tendered him by Speaker Cannon.

That is another way of saying that the Republican party has kept its promises to the people.

Is not the country contented under Roosevelt?

The gold standard has been maintained and made a fixture, so that even Judge Parker who twice supported and voted for the party and candidates of free silver acknowledges it.

Business interests have been strictly guarded from all disturbing influences, so far as a Republican Congress and a careful administration could do so.

Steps have been taken to put an end to criminal combinations designed to restrain trade.

In foreign affairs there has been a steady insistence for open ports in the Far East to commerce. American citizens have been protected in their rights. There have been no dangerous foreign entanglements. On the contrary, the administration's policy, while it has been positive, has made for peace. The result is that the American nation is respected everywhere.

This being the case, how can the party of the opposition hope to carry the country under no better plea than that a change of administration is desirable?

SOME MISTAKEN, SOME DISHONEST.
(From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.)

In his address at Oyster Bay recently, accepting the nomination, President Roosevelt pointed out very effectively the difference between the attitude of the two parties at the opening of the campaign of 1904. The Democrats ask for popular support on the ground that they will prove false to every doctrine which they have championed in the last eight years. They promise to leave Republican Legislation undisturbed, and at the same time they want the Republicans put out of power because of that Legislation. In effect, the Democrats confess now that some of them were mistaken and others dishonest. This is the position which the Democrats are in, as outlined by the President. No names are mentioned by President Roosevelt, but the characterization fits Alton B. Parker with admirable fidelity. Judge Parker, al-

though confessing in another connection that he voted for the silver standard in 1896 and 1900, and fought the Republicans who established that standard, pretends to accept the standard, and asks to have Republicans put out for bringing it.

Position of the New York Sun.

The New York Sun has come out flat-footed for the Republican ticket. In stating the reasons for its action it says:

The campaign is now on. Both parties and both candidates have spoken.

On the one side, a conservative party with a radically inclined and erstwhile too strenuous candidate for President; and behind him for the Vice Presidency, a man of undoubted capacity, sound opinions and mental and physical promise of endurance.

On the other side a radical party, with an infinite capacity for mischief and a stupendous record of mischief actually accomplished, presenting for President a conservatively inclined candidate of irreproachable character and attractive personal accomplishments; and for Vice President one whose extreme age is the sole but sufficient reason for apprehension in case of his succession to the Presidency.

Such is the choice before the independent voter, and it is the independent voter who will decide this election.

To state the Sun's position and its reasons therefor requires no metaphysical subtlety of explanation. The main consideration is as broad as the Nation's interests. As the case is now made up, we prefer the impulsive candidate of the party of conservatism to the mildly conservative, temporizing, opportunist representative of the Hun vote in the background. We have more faith in distinct promises of the Chicago platform, not ignoring the many serious defects of that document, than we have in the miserable hell broth of dishwater and dynamite concocted at St. Louis a month ago by a party afraid to renounce its criminal follies, and tasted yesterday at Esopus by a respectable candidate who declares with gusto that its flavor is admirable!

We shall therefore advocate the election of Roosevelt and Fairbanks and advise the defeat of Parker and Davis; preserving our own absolute independence of organic control, and our freedom of judgement as to every specific question occurring. And may the Hon. Theodore Roosevelt's present mood continue, and if he is elected may the Discourager of Precipitancy stand always at his elbow!

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

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Ethelbert—Mama, I want a drum in heaven! I couldn't play on a harp!
Mama—Well, you'll have to go in with the Salvation army, then!

An exchange says: "On account of a bad track the visiting baseball team did not arrive last evening."

Worms?

Many children are troubled with worms, and treated for something else. A few doses of Dr. True's Elixir will expel them and give a valuable tonic to the system. Get it at once. DR. J. P. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me.

Ayer's

This falling of your hair! Stop it, or you will soon be bald. Give your hair some Ayer's Hair Vigor. The falling will stop, the hair will

Hair Vigor

grow, and the scalp will be clean and healthy. Why be satisfied with poor hair when you can make it rich?

"My hair nearly all came out. I then tried Ayer's Hair Vigor and only one bottle stopped the falling. New hair came in real thick and just a little curly."—MRS. L. M. SMITH, Saratoga, N. Y.

1/100 a bottle. All druggists. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.

Thick Hair

Convention of American Anti-Saloon League.

The American Anti-Saloon League is to hold its Annual Convention at Columbus, Ohio this year. The dates are November 16-18 inclusive. The following is a partial list of the talent already engaged for this great meeting: Bishop Luther B. Wilson, of Baltimore, President of the League; Rev. George R. Stuart, of Tennessee; Congressman Charles E. Littlefield, of Maine; Rev. Lois Albert Banks, D. D. of New York; Rev. E. S. Chapman, D. D. of California; Hon. John J. Woolley, of Chicago; Rev. F. W. Young, D. D. of Kentucky; and Rev. Howard H. Russell, D. D. of New York.

The Convention proper is to be preceded by a six days' Conference of the State Superintendents and field workers of the League, and will be held at Columbus also. This Conference is in reality to be a "School of Methods," where the most approved plans of League work will be set forth and discussed, and where each worker can have the benefit of the experience and methods in operation throughout the entire country. Much of the success of the Anti-Saloon League movement is due to these annual conferences of the men in the field, where the best methods of work have been discussed systematically and in detail and those found to be most successful have been uniformly put in operation. All ministers and temperance workers desiring to be present and participate in this "School of Methods" will be welcome.

Arrangements are being made for reduced fare on the railroads for the convention. Those desiring further information should write to General Superintendent P. A. Baker, 610 The New Hayden Bldg., Columbus, Ohio.

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This disease has lost its terrors since Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy came into general use. The uniform success which attends the use of this remedy in all cases of bowel complaints in children has made it a favorite wherever its value has become known.

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When you go to buy Witch Hazel Salve look for the name DeWitt on every box. The pure unadulterated Witch Hazel is used in making DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which is the best Salve in the world for cuts, burns, bruises, boils, eczema and piles. The popularity of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, due to its many cures, has caused numerous worthless counterfeits to be placed on the market. The genuine bears the name E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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Fancy Rockers

A genuine carved oak, polished rocker, with comfortable, saddle seat, curved arms, like this would be cheap at \$3.00.

Our sale price only \$1.85

Another Fancy Rocker, oak or mahogany, extra size, decorated pressed leather seat, all neatly carved and beautifully polished, sells with us regularly for \$5.00.

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Large High Back Rattan Rocker, with roll arms, long sweeping rockers, strong, durable in every part, would be very reasonable at \$4.00.

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Two hundred Pieces in Fancy Rockers. All at Tempting Prices.

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A three-piece suite, consisting of sofa, rocker and reception chair—Frames in mahogany, with broad curved top rails, handsome arms and sloping backs, each piece comfortable, covered in a rich design of green figured verona plush. This suite was \$75.00. We have marked it down for this

August Sale to only \$58.00

Another three-piece suite—Same combination as above, but more elaborate in plan and upholstery, a copy of a famous antique, with the rich mahogany wood brought out by the labor of the polisher so that it is more beautiful than we can convey an idea of with type. This suite was \$85.00.

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Again, we urge you to avail yourself of the Money Saving Prices that are prevailing here—And no matter what the article of Furniture, Carpets, Window or Door Drapery, Shades or Kitchen Furnishing you may be in need of, you may accept our word for it that RIGHT NOW is the time set aside by this store to deal with our outside patrons in a manner they will at once decide on investigation is most generous.

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I wish to give notice that I have hired the Blacksmith Shop of J. C. Billings and am prepared to do Horse Shoeing and Jobbing; have had large practice in city work Call and see me.

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All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

Old Home Week.

Blackberries are ripening.

Come to Grover's Birches Aug 23.

Haying progresses slowly this month.

Be sure to attend the lawn party next Tuesday.

Mrs. A. J. Haskell has gone to Massachusetts for rest and recuperation.

Harlan P. Dennison and wife have been visiting relatives in New Hampshire.

Early apples are ripe and plentiful, and fast falling from the trees.

Henry A. Cross is working on his new house and will soon have a fine residence.

Misses Florence and Mabel Haskell, and brother George, are with their grandparents in North Norway.

Maurice B. Mason and wife of Bangor arrived in town Saturday on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albin P. Mason.

The Union Chapel Aid Society of West Bethel will have their annual lawn party and festival on the old ground in Grover's Birches Tuesday afternoon and evening of next week. All are invited.

Miss Grace M. Mills started for Massachusetts, Sunday, where she will spend two weeks with relatives.

The Ladies' Chapel Aid Society will hold their annual lawn party in the Birches just below the station, West Bethel Aug. 23 afternoon and evening for the benefit of the church. A number of new attractions will be on the program and a brass band will discourse musical selections afternoon and evening. A grand supper will be spread from 5 p. m. to 10 p. m. All are cordially invited and large crowds are expected from Bethel and the surrounding town. Beans will be baked in the ground as usual by our old soldier friend Geo. Harding which means a rare treat for all.

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GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

NORTH NORWAY.

Farmers are harvesting grain.

Alice Foster is working for Lawyer Jones.

Mr. D. Williams from Georgia is visiting at Wm. French's.

Mrs. Nellie Needham has returned from her trip to the sea shore.

Fannie Hunt has gone to Hebron to work for Mrs. Chas. Cummings.

F. Q. Elliott is spending a few weeks at his country home and is much improved in health.

C. E. Dunn is visiting in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Daniel Walker is very sick at her daughter's, Mrs. E. C. Walker's.

Blueberries have been very abundant.

Charles Foster is home from Lynn, Mass.

Chandler Merrill is quite largely engaged in the poultry business.

Leander Dearth has returned to Vermont.

TO MAKE CHEESE AT HOME.

Only Simple and Most Common Utensils Needed.

Only the simplest and most common utensils need be employed in the first efforts. A peck measure with the bottom knocked out will answer for the hoop. If the necessary amount of milk cannot be obtained at one milking add the next milking to it.

When the milk is drawn, at once pour it from one vessel to another for a few times to aerate it. Place it in any vessel large enough—a wash boiler will answer—and add a rennet tablet, which can be had at a drug store, with directions accompanying, telling how to use it.

Stir well, heat up to about 84 degrees, or until the curd seems thick enough; then remove from the fire and let stand until it sets or coagulates, after which the curd is to be cut from top to bottom in two-inch squares to allow the whey to escape.

Have ready a square of cheesecloth previously scalded and rinsed, and spread it in a clean basket. Place this over a tub to catch the whey. Dip out the curd, place it in the cheesecloth to drain.

Then with the hands break up the curd into granules about the size of the kernels of corn. Salt to taste, then gather the corners of the cloth together, lift up and shake until settled in the center of the cloth. Lift out and place in the hoop, which should be on the press.

A clean, square board is first placed under the hoop for convenience in handling. The press bench should be a little inclined and a groove cut in it to guide the drainage to some vessel. Fold the cheesecloth evenly over the curd so as not to wrinkle it, and place the follower, a round board fitting the hoop, over it.

Place a small weight on the follower at first, and later a heavy one. Let the curd remain in the press twenty-four hours, turning it once meantime. A wet cloth is used to turn it over.

When first taken from the press, set away until dry, after which rub with melted butter. Turn every day for a week, and each time repeat the process of rubbing with butter.

When first taken out of the hoop, take off the old cloth and put on new cut as a bandage to go around the edge of the cheese, and cut a circular piece for each side. The grease holds the cloth in place; but some return the cheese to the hoop and press for a few minutes. The cheese is then placed in a room kept at a temperature of 65 to 70 degrees to cure.

A ten-pound cheese will cure in five or six weeks. A longer time insures a better and stronger flavor, which some prefer. Never keep cheese of any kind in a damp place. It will mold.—St. Louis Republic.

An Inexpensive Plant Protector.

The most effectual means for protecting young melon and cucumber plants against some of their innumerable enemies is to inclose the young vines

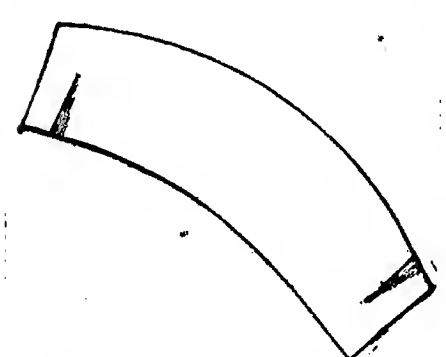


Fig. 1.—Pattern for Plant Protector. In bottomless boxes of some kind. Various more or less expensive and elaborate forms have been invented and are offered for sale. The principal objection to most of these is their cost. Our illustrations represent a device which is free from this objection. It consists simply of a piece of card board or stiff paper of any kind, cut as seen in Fig. 1. When the ends are brought together and

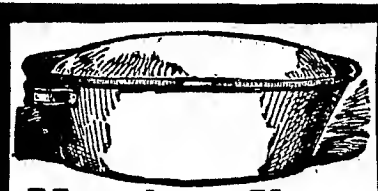


Fig. 2.—Plant Protector. The slits, indicated in the engraving, made to interlock, a cone, as seen in Fig. 2, is produced which, when put around a plant, furnishes as complete a protector against insects as the most expensive device.

American Love of Flowers.

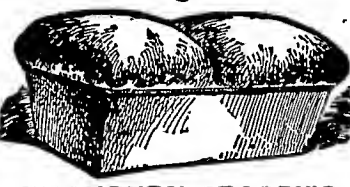
The sale of cut roses in the United States amounts to about \$6,000,000 a year; carnations, \$4,000,000; violets, \$750,000, and chrysanthemums—a short-season crop—\$700,000. The annual production is estimated at \$100,000,000 each for roses and carnations, and \$50,000,000 for violets. This statement shows the great superiority of the carnation in two important points. It can be produced and sold more cheaply than the rose, and its keeping qualities are very much greater. The carnation will never have as much sentiment as the rose, but it is destined to outstrip the rose as a people's flower. If indeed, it has not already done so.—Country Life in America.

Experts figure that really good wheat should produce one-tenth as many bushels of grain as pounds of straw. It is better to produce grain than straw. Measuring the yield by the straw will sometimes have the same results as straw bldk.



Morning, Noon and Night

Good flour shows its quality: in the fluffy dough under the kneading hands, in the brown loaves at noonday, in the flaky white slices that grace the table at night. Good flour is the result of careful wheat selection and advanced milling methods.



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Cut out this advertisement and mail to us with name of your grocer and we will send you free of charge one of our GOLD MEDAL COOK BOOKS containing 1000 carefully prepared recipes. If your dealer does not handle Gold Medal Flour, please mention it in your letter. Address

BROWN & JOSSELYN, Portland, Maine. Mention this paper.

Notice of Foreclosure.

WHEREAS Almon Grover, then of Bethel, County of Oxford, State of Maine, now deceased, by his mortgage deed, dated the first day of January, A. D. 1876, and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Book 173, page 142, conveyed to the Bethel Savings Bank, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of said State of Maine certain real estate situated in said Bethel, and bounded as follows, to-wit: northerly by land of Addison E. Herrick and Ellery C. Park; easterly by land of Rachel R. Mayberry, land of W. H. Hutchinson and land of said Herrick and Park; southerly by land of Eben S. Kilborn; westerly by land of Peter Wheeler, land of A. B. Grover and land of True Brown known as the Walter Brown farm; said bounded parcel being what is known as the Almon Grover farm on Grover Hill, in said Bethel. Also another parcel of land situated in said Bethel, and being what is known as the "meadow piece," and bounded as follows, to-wit: commencing at the point where the west line of lot numbered thirty-two, in the second range of lots in said Bethel first strikes Pleasant River, so-called, about forty-six rods from the northwest corner of the lot; thence north eighteen degrees west one and one-half rods; thence east eighteen degrees north two rods; thence east three degrees north twelve rods; thence east thirty degrees south fourteen rods; thence east twenty degrees south eighteen rods; thence south eighteen degrees east three rods; thence west twenty-four degrees south eighteen rods to a small stream running into Pleasant River; thence on said River to the first mentioned bound; the foregoing courses are taken from said mortgage and no allowance is made for variation of the compass. And whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken, now therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof the said Bethel Savings Bank claims a foreclosure of said mortgage.

Bethel, Maine, August 9, 1904.
By Addison E. Herrick,
its Treasurer.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four, the following matter has been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in The Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Rumford Falls on the third Tuesday of August, A. D. 1904, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

SOPHRONIA W. GROVER, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in her hands presented by Darius H. Grover, administrator.

LYMAN W. RUSSELL, late of Denver, County of Arapahoe, State of Colorado, deceased; copy of will and petition for allowance of the same presented by Kate L. Abbott, executrix.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.
A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of ARTHUR F. CARVER, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

July 19, 1904. Albert W. Grover.

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The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of ALVIN M. BROWN, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

July 19, 1904. Allison Browne

One Minute Cough Cure
For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

OUR APPLES IN EUROPE.

Continent Learning to Eat and Like American Fruits.

During last year nearly 3,000,000 barrels of apples, almost a million more than in the previous year, have been exported from American ports. Most of these have gone to Great Britain and other European countries, where they have found a ready market at good prices.

The demand for the fruit still keeps up and many thousands of barrels are being shipped to the other side. Germany has taken to the American apple this season with especial kindness, and Baldwins and Newtown pippins, which are the favorite varieties with the Germans, now are frequently found in the small stores and on stands and peddlers' wagons in Berlin and other large cities.

While these apples do not always have the fine flavor of the fruit as we know it, yet, owing to the great care with which they have been packed, they are a credit to the American grower, both in appearance and taste. The American farmer is now studying the best methods of picking and packing fruit for long distance shipment, and there is every reason to expect that in a short time our apples will be sold in Europe in practically as good condition as in the home markets.

THE SWINEHERD.

The story is going the rounds about a farmer who dropped dead before a city meat shop. Fifty miles away he had lately sold live hogs for 34 cents a pound. In the shop window he saw this legend: "Lard and fresh pork, fifteen cents; ham twenty cents and bacon twenty-five cents." The farmer had read the legend.

Pigs need exercise more than calves. This is apparent when we realize that the milk of the sow on which they feed is twice as rich as the milk of the cow on which the calf is nourished. Nearly twenty per cent. of the sow's milk is composed of solids and this accounts for the death of so many small pigs when too closely confined.

In reply to a subscriber in Boulder county we would say that barley is more nutritious for growing pigs than corn. It contains more digestible protein or material that forms flesh and bone and also carries more mineral matter which has much to do with the strength of bones. It is probably worth twenty per cent. more, weight for weight, than corn for feeding pigs and sows.

A packing house in Chicago has sold the Russian government 1,500,000 pounds of pork. This is the ultimate market for all the odds and ends of the pork product—the piggy sows, the 700-pound ancient sires, the hogs rushed out of cholera-infected herds and the lean rooters from Missouri and Arkansas, which are known as governments. When the Russian soldiers in Manchuria eat this ration they will want to fight if they never did before.

One reason we have such a good country here for swine breeding is because the young pigs require lots of sunshine. They are tender things and should have good shelter from the storms and winds of early spring but should be given a bed in a sunny location. The mother should have the best feed for milk production, as this has much to do with the growth of pigs. After the pigs are grown into good-sized shoats they will thrive and fatten up far better if they have made good vigorous growth every day from birth. A stunted pig is of little value and this is an old and accepted fact.

Colonel Grubb, who has returned to Colorado from the east, is loquacious about a new breed of hog he found in Florida and says: "It is the real razorback of the hollow ground variety and is built more for speed than for padded backs and thick sides of bacon. It is short in the back, leaving hardly room for an English saddle with shoulders well laid back and long sloping hips indicating an infusion of pacing blood. From a race-horse man's standard of form it has the ideal conformation for high speed. The best specimens I saw were much faster than certain horses in which I placed confidence and cash during my racing career on the western slope. With its extreme long, narrow head and snout this Florida product does not require a wind shield to break records."

An old-timer named H. Winkelman writes: "Forty years ago I was employed on a large ranch down in New Mexico where a great many hogs were kept. Alfalfa and clover hay were the main feeds for the brood sows and growing pigs. The hay was cut up in one inch lengths and about an hour before feeding a quantity of this sufficient for one meal was spread out on a cemented floor, from four to five inches deep. A liberal quantity of finely-chopped root crops, potatoes, beets, turnips, carrots or whatever happened to be plentiful, was poured over it and the necessary ground feed added—barley for the sows and mixed grain, oats, corn, peas, etc., for the growing hogs. The whole mess was then turned over once or twice so as to mix it well and as much water sprinkled over it with a watering can as the hay would absorb. The hogs had to eat it off the floor but cleaned up every bit of it. They were healthy and the sows farrowed large litters of pigs which grew nicely under this method of feeding.—Denver Field and Farm.

CAUSE OF SHEEP SCAB

Disease is One of the Oldest Known. Very Injurious.

Remedies Given Below Have Proven Very Satisfactory in Results.

From Farmers' Bulletin, No. 159, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, we take the following:

The disease commonly called sheep scab is one of the oldest known, most prevalent, and most injurious maladies which affect sheep. It is a contagious skin disease caused by a parasitic mite. Investigation has shown that the disease is not hereditary, as the parasites which cause it live on the external surface of the body. It is possible, however, for a lamb to become infected from a scabby mother at a moment of birth or immediately after. The treatment must consist of external applications for the destruction of the parasites and not internal remedies to "purify the blood."

The disease is one of the most serious drawbacks to the sheep industry and results in enormous financial losses. The losses are due to the shedding of the wool, failure of condition, and the death of the sheep. Yet, despite its insidious nature, its ease of transmission, its severe effects, and its prevalence in certain localities, it is a disease which yields readily to proper treatment. If all the sheep owners of the country would dip sheep regularly and thoroughly, there is no reason why this scourge should not be totally eradicated from the United States.

In many cases, particularly among owners of small flocks, there are erroneous ideas prevalent regarding the exact nature of the disease and the methods by which it may be eradicated. It is to meet the demand for information on the subject that this bulletin has been prepared.

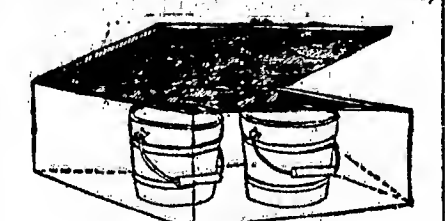
Sheep scab is a strictly contagious disease. Common sheep scab is caused by that species of mites technically known as Psoroptes communis. Parasites of this species cause scab in horses, cattle, sheep, goats and rabbits; but for each of these species of animals there appears to be a distinct variety of this parasite.

By far the most rational and satisfactory and the cheapest method of curing scab is by dipping the sheep in some liquid which will kill the parasites. The dipping process is as follows:

1. Select a dip containing sulphur. If a prepared "dip" is used which does not contain sulphur, it is always safer to add about 16 2/3 pounds of sifted flowers of sulphur to every 100 gallons of water, especially if, after dipping, the sheep have to be returned to the old pastures.
2. Shear all the sheep at one time, and immediately after shearing confine them to one-half the farm for two to four weeks. Many persons prefer to dip immediately after shearing.
3. At the end of this time dip every sheep (and every goat also, if there are any on the farm).
4. Ten days later dip the entire flock a second time.
5. After the second dipping place the flock on a portion of the farm from which they have been excluded during the previous four or five weeks.
6. Use the dip at a temperature of 100 degrees to 110 degrees F.
7. Keep each sheep in the dip for two minutes by the watch—do not guess at the time—and duck its head at least once.
8. Be careful in dipping rams, as they are more likely to be overcome in the dip than are the ewes.
9. Injury may, however, result to pregnant ewes, which must, on this account, be carefully handled. Some farmers arrange a stage, with slides, to hold the pregnant ewes, which is lowered carefully into the vat, and raised after the proper time.
10. In case a patent or proprietary dip, especially an arsenical dip, is used, the directions given on the package should be carried out to the letter.

Receptacle for Watering Pails.

An arrangement for keeping the pails used for watering the horse and cow (assuming that many keep but one or two cows or horses, and that the water is carried to them) from being filled with snow in winter, and from standing in the hot sun in the summer. This plan, as shown in the accompanying illustration, is simply this: To have a box standing near the well pump—the size of box for a single pail should be about sixteen inches square, or twenty inches would be no disadvantage, to have a cover fastened on either with leather or strap hinges; strap hinges can be bought cheaply at the hardware store,



Box for Water Pails.

and are better than leather ones. For two pails, the box should be two and one-half or three feet long. In this way, the pails are always in place and much trouble and annoyance is avoided. The best way to arrange the cover is to have a strip of board some two or three inches in width to go across the top of the box, forming part of the covering, to which the hinges can be more securely fastened. Use a smaller box in the hen-house.

Treat seed oats and seed wheat with formaldehyde for smut.

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A high-class preparation for the hair, glossy and prevents splitting at the ends, always restores color to gray hair.

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A Sweet Breath

is a never failing sign of a healthy stomach. When the breath is bad the stomach is out of order. There is no remedy in the world equal to Kodol Dyspepsia Cure for curing indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach disorders. Mrs. Mary S. Crick, of White Plains, Ky., writes: "I have been a dyspeptic for years; tried all kinds of remedies but continued to grow worse. By the use of Kodol I began to improve at once, and after taking a few bottles am fully restored in weight health and strength and can eat whatever I like." Kodol digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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Before he wedded her he swore He loved the whole wide-world creation!

But now, as benedict, he raves When she but mentions her relation!

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every box.

"Have you a good cook?" asked Mrs. Hill.

"Yes, she's good enough," replied Mrs. Park. "She attends church three times a week and all that, but her cooking is something fierce."

Making Friends Every Day.

This can truthfully be said of JELL-O ICE CREAM POWDER, the new product for making the most delicious ice cream you ever ate; everything in the package. Nothing tastes so good in hot weather. All grocers are placing it in stock. If your grocer can't supply you send age for 2 packages by mail. Four kinds: Vanilla, Chocolate, Strawberry and Unflavored. Address: The Genesee Pure Food Co., Box 295, LeRoy, N. Y.

Mr. C.—What are you crying about, my dear?

Mrs. C.—I have just been reading the old love-letters you sent me before we married.

Mr. C.—That's funny. I was reading them myself the other day, and they made me laugh.

Mrs. C. H. Jennings, Boston—"Our babies (twins), were sickly. Had several doctors, but no results. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea made them strong and robust." 35 cents. Tea or tablet form.

G. R. Wiley.

"No, the bride isn't from Boston. Isn't she?"

"She can't be. Siviter sent her an ornamental bean pot for a wedding gift and she's raising a potted palm in it."

I find nothing better for liver derangement and constipation than Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.—L. F. ANDREWS, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbetts, Lockes Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

"A pretty lot of children you are for a minister to have," exclaimed a pastor, whose children were misbehaving at the dinner table. "Then I guess you had better change your business, papa," suggested four-year-old Nellie.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users. 1y3

"I would like to have this ring made larger," said the young woman. "It's my engagement ring and—"

"I'm afraid," said the goldsmith, "that it'll have to have an entirely new setting. It's already been altered five times."

You need clean healthy bowels just as much as pure, wholesome food; without either, you cannot keep well. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea eliminates all impurities. Tea or tablets. 35 cents. G. R. Wiley.

"I told you it wouldn't do to invite Willie's teacher to dinner as long as I have to do my own cooking."

"Why what happened?"

"She whipped Willie this morning."

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

When a rich uncle dies the funeral expression on the faces of the beneficiaries always reminds one of a sunshower—slight rain for sorrow and a glorious sun for his good judgement in framing the will.

AGED EGGS AND MEAT.

Eggs in Cold Storage Eight Months Are Perfectly Good Food.

Alderman Peter A. Wendling of Chicago, who worked several years in the stock yards as a butcher, is quoted by the Chicago Chronicle as saying that "I have known of turkeys being kept in cold storage for twelve years and chickens for eight or ten years. Chickens and turkeys hatched the year of the World's Fair are yet in cold storage at the yards. Eggs of the vintage of 1896 and 1897 are also there."

And Alderman Burns is quoted in the same article as saying: "It is no exaggeration to say that 95 per cent. of the condemned meat at the stock yards escapes the rendering tanks and is sold to consumers as first-class meat."

But Alderman Sitts, a South Water street commission man, said: "Poultry and some other meats, I have no doubt, are often held too long in cold storage at the stock yards. It is different with eggs. No 'treatment' yet evolved for the storage of eggs is capable of preserving them for more than seven to nine months. At the end of that time the eggs in cold storage are perfectly good, except that they taste a little musty."

"Eggs kept for six to eight months in cold storage are perfectly good food, although they may have a somewhat musty flavor," said T. E. Purcell of the egg board. "Vast amounts of poultry are put in cold storage every year and kept there for a year or more. They are unharmed and almost as good in every way as entirely fresh birds. Despite the absence of the official inspection, little had poultry reaches the consumer."

All this came out in a lengthy discussion of food inspection, being pushed by the Chicago Civic Federation.

Cure for Self-Milking Cow.

A cow which has acquired the habit of milking herself is as worthless an animal as can be had on the farm. It is a case where production and consumption follow each other in a vicious way and cuts off all show of profit. If the habit cannot be broken, the only course left is to dry the cow, and fatten her for the butcher. But some cows can be cured of the habit by proper treatment. Many devices have been used successfully for this purpose—two of which are illustrated here. Figure 1 is an old invention. It consists of a leather halter, to the front of which is firmly attached a thin strip of hard wood, extending from the forehead to the muzzle. A piece of hickory or ash shaved very thin in the middle, is nailed to the upper end of the face-piece, and parallel with the lower end, which is held half an inch

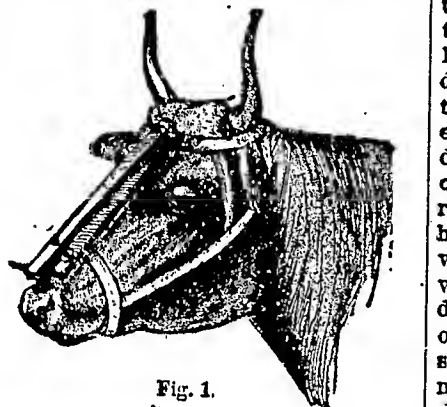


Fig. 1.

or more away from the face piece, is furnished with a sharp nail, which plays through a hole in the face piece. A very slight pressure causes the sharp nail to prick the nose. Sharp points are also inserted into the end of the spring piece, which prick the cow whenever she attempts to suck herself.



Fig. 2.

How Much Gain From 100 Pounds. A correspondent asks us how many pounds of corn it takes to make 100 pounds of beef or pork. Of course, that depends chiefly on the kind of animal to be fed, and its age. A pound of gain from one bushel of corn runs from 8 to 14 pounds. Experience in feeding at the various Experiment Stations show this.

Professor Thorne, of the Ohio Experiment Station, summarized the result of fed trials of eight different stations, with 132 steers in all, and found that it required 1,023 pounds of dry matter for each 100 pounds of gain.

Professor Henry, summing up the results of many experiments at different stations, found that with pigs weighing 38 pounds, 293 pounds of grain made 100 pounds of gain. When they weighed 78 it took 400 pounds of grain. At the weight of 120 it required 535 pounds of grain to make 100 pounds of gain.

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney trouble. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs of the body and the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

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COUNTRY LIFE.

Why Newspapers of Small Towns Are So "Local."

A British visitor to this country not long since was quoted as saying that he estimated the character and quality of the people largely by the newspapers. A fairly accurate estimate may be made in this way, no doubt, but could not come from inspection of the papers which in all probability fell into the hands of this Englishman. He would naturally see the prominent metropolitan papers, and at furthest only the leading ones of the smaller cities. From the character of these he could draw certain correct inferences as to the people for whom they were printed. He would know, first and most distinctly, that these people were full of enterprise and energy and were ready for any commercial undertaking, however vast; he would learn that they were generous in a large way, somewhat boastful, rather careless, individually, of their public obligations, but on the whole having rather a high standard by which to measure public men. These and numerous other conclusions he could draw from the papers that would in all likelihood fall into his hands, but unless he made a study of the country press he would miss a view of these same people quite necessary to a proper understanding and estimate of them.

The metropolitan papers deal with affairs of general interest—foreign and national events, politics, matters relating to public men, news that concerns many classes of readers, etc.; the papers of small towns and villages deal with matters of another sort; they are in close touch with their readers and treat of local and personal affairs. Politics and outside news may have place in their columns, too, but merely in a incidental way. It is the local record that gives them interest and character and makes them valuable and delightful.

In a community where everybody knows everybody else there is a natural and perfectly proper interest in knowing that Uncle Jake Snyder is having his barn painted, that Sam Sweeney is having trouble with his eyes, that Farmer Johnson has raised the biggest tomatoes ever seen in the region, that John Jones visited his "best girl" on Sunday night, and so on, and so on, and so on. It is not love of trivial detail or petty gossip, but an outgrowth of neighborly and kindly feeling that calls for a record of these things. To an outsider the personal comments may at times seem overly familiar, but with the free give-and-take of a small community they are not so considered by the persons concerned, but are regarded rather as family pleasanties. It is through these papers, indeed, that glimpses are to be had of the best family life of the country, the dinners, the picnics, the reunions, the gayeties, as well as the more serious phases. The relations of the people to each other are discernible. One who reads between the lines of these brief records of local happenings and doings can see the simplicity, the open-hearted kindness of the men and women who are mentioned from time to time: their pursuits, their ambitions, and, alas, also, their sorrows are made clear.

Many a man long resident of a city takes regularly the little paper published in his old home and reads it eagerly, thus keeping in touch with his former associates; but even the stranger of sympathetic mind and a degree of insight finds a charm in such papers that more pretentious sheets cannot possess. They bring him into close relations with the people who, above all others, are representative Americans and who make the country what it is.—Indianapolis Journal.

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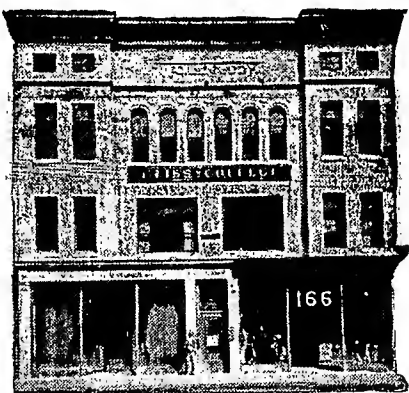
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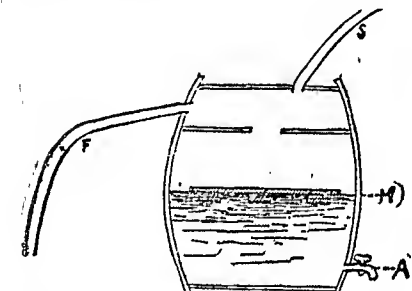
Loss Reaches Nearly \$75,000,000 Annually.

The Department of Agriculture has for many years been conducting investigations of swine plague and cholera and trying to develop some effective treatment and remedy. It is said that recently it was shown by these investigations, that some of the outbreaks, a different cause is shown to be at work, from what has heretofore been suspected. When the bacilli which have been supposed to cause the disease are all filtered from the blood, this liquid is still capable of producing the malady and has apparently the same degree of virulence as it had before filtering. It is yet too early to estimate the proportion of the losses attributed to hog cholera which are caused by this agent, which passes through the finest filters, and which in this condition must be too small to be revealed by the highest powers of the microscope. Investigations are now being made to throw some light upon this question; but enough is already known to make it probable that this discovery will prove of very great importance.

The loss from the disease runs from \$40,000,000 to \$75,000,000 annually in this country.

Filter Trap for Cisterns.

The accompanying diagram represents a barrel which is placed between the eaves-spout and the entrance to the cistern. In the barrel is a float, H, and above the float about eight inches from the top is a diaphragm with a hole in the center.



Trap for Cistern.

The head of the barrel is replaced, but several vent holes are bored. In the diagram, S, represents the supply pipe from the roof, and F the outflow to the cistern. With every shower, the barrel being empty, or nearly so, the first flow of water brings most of the impurities (bird

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Roger Rhodes, Charles Libbey and Stanley Moore of Lancaster, were in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cole are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Cole and two children of West Medford, Mass., also Mrs. Buzzell and two children of South Boston.

Dr. John Potter, wife and daughter of Island Pond, Vt., were in town Thursday.

Mrs. Edith Carter and children have returned from a visit to friends in Littleton.

Mrs. Carrie Thompson of Bryant Pond, Me., and Mrs. Daisy Wade Wilson and children of Davis, West Virginia, were in town last week.

Mrs. Orissa McCordick and daughters of South Boston, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Blake.

Mrs. Abbie Hickey Day has returned from the hospital in Augusta somewhat improved in health.

Fannie Cole and Priscilla Bass returned to Lancaster, Monday.

The annual Pomona Grange field meeting will be held at the Groveton camp ground Aug. 18.

Miss Grace O'Connor died Sunday, July 31, at the hospital in Portland, where she had gone for treatment, at the age of twenty-three years and eleven months. Funeral services were held at the Catholic church Wednesday, Aug. 3, at ten o'clock, with Rev. Fr. Lennon officiating assisted by Rev. Fr. Desmond of Groveton. Music was furnished by a choir from Island Pond, Vt. Her six brothers were pall bearers. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. The Pilot Grange of Stark was present in a body, also a number of members of the W. C. O. F. of which she was member.

Mrs. Francisella Hawkes and daughters are in town.

Lillian Dwyer of Holliston, Mass., is visiting at P. J. O'Connor's.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greene of Malden, Mass., were here to attend the funeral of their niece recently.

Ephraim Wight of Gilead, visited his niece last week.

Hattie, little daughter of Aram Abbott was quite badly injured last week, while watching a cow being driven in the road. The cow seeing the child became enraged and attacked her, throwing her on its horns some distance, and breaking her collar bone.

Osmar Cole and Iva Potter of Milan, were united in marriage Aug. 2.

H. Corkum and wife are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Mrs. Lois Nichols has been the guest of her brother, Hiram Jackson and family.

Rev. W. P. White and Rev. Mr. Tuttle of West Milan, climbed Mount Washington Thursday.

Mary McFarland and Ethel Hubbard are at the home of Mr. Charles McFarland.

Mrs. Olive Lunn has been working in Groveton the past week.

Mrs. Henry Lee is in very poor health.

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